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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
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Sir:

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In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant submits the following explanations:

1. The indication in the International Search Report of the degree of relevance found by the foreign patent office and the submission of an English language abstract for JP 2001-149350 constitutes a concise statement of relevance of JP 2001-149350.
2. The disclosure at pages 1 - 6 of the present specification, the indication in the International Search Report, and the submission of an English language abstract for JP Hei-11-318868 each constitutes a concise statement of relevance of JP Hei-11-318868.
3. The disclosure at pages 1 - 6 of the present specification, the indication in the International Search Report, and the submission of an English language abstract for JP Patent No. 2608682 each constitutes a concise statement of relevance of JP Patent No. 2608682.
4. The disclosure on pages 1 - 6 of the present specification and the submission of an English language abstract for JP Sho-62-227316 each constitutes a concise statement of relevance of JP Sho-62-227316.
5. The disclosure on pages 1 - 6 of the present specification and the submission of an English language abstract for JP Sho-57-059536 each constitutes a concise statement of relevance of JP Sho-57-059536.

6. The disclosure on pages 1 - 6 of the present specification and the submission of an English language abstract for JP Sho-62-227316 each constitutes a concise statement of relevance of JP Sho-62-227316.

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8. The disclosure on pages 1 - 6 of the present specification and the submission of an English language abstract for JP Hei-03-097450 each constitutes a concise statement of relevance of JP Hei-03-097450.

9. The disclosure on pages 1 - 6 of the present specification and the submission of an English language abstract for JP Hei-04-279152 each constitutes a concise statement of relevance of JP Hei-04-279152.

10. The disclosure on pages 1 - 6 of the present specification and the submission of an English language abstract for JP Hei-10-201742 each constitutes a concise statement of relevance of JP Hei-10-201742.

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12. The disclosure on pages 1 - 6 of the present specification and the submission of an English language abstract for JP Sho-52-112481 each constitutes a concise statement of relevance of JP Sho-52-112481.

13. The disclosure on pages 1 - 6 of the present specification and the submission of an English language abstract for Japanese Kohyo Hei-03-505320 each constitutes a concise statement of relevance of JP Hei-03-505320. Furthermore, attached is a copy of the front page of WO 89/09735, which corresponds to JP Hei-03-505320, and also constitutes a concise statement of relevance of JP Hei-03-505320.

The submission of the listed documents is not intended as an admission that any such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application. Applicant does not waive any right to take any action that would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove any listed document as a competent reference against the claims of the present application.

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NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS

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